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WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 16, 1775.

IT being judged neceſſary that a GENERAL CONVENTION ſhould be ſpeedily held, I have thought fit, purſuant to the directions of the laſt Convention, to appoint *Friday* the firſt day of *December* for that purpoſe; when a full meeting of the delegates, at the town of *Richmond*, is earneſtly deſired by their

Moſt obedient ſervant,

RO. C. NICHOLAS.

MR. *John Tazewell* having ſignified to me his inability to continue ſigning the treaſury notes, I have appointed mr. *William Norvell* to ſucceed him in that buſineſs; and mr. *Matthew Davenport*, who was appointed to fill up the notes, being by accident rendered incapable of proſecuting that work for the preſent, I have appointed mr. *William Ruſſell* in his ſtead.

RO. C. NICHOLAS, treaſurer.

TREASURY OFFICE, *October* 27, 1775.

THE *inſpectors and other collectors are deſired to remember that their accounts are to be ſettled by the* 10th *of* November, *and may be aſſured that no indulgences will be given.*

ROBERT C. NICHOLAS, treaſurer.

IN COMMITTEE, *at* WILLIAMSBURG, *the* 23*d of October*, 1775.

Ordered, THAT the commiſſary of muſters in each diſtrict attend the battalion thereof only on the laſt day of their ſeveral meetings, to perform battalion duty.

(Extract)

JOHN PENDLETON, jun. clerk.

To Mr. PURDIE,

SIR,

IT is much to be lamented that no proper caution has been given to the negroes in this country not to be ſeduced from their duty to their maſters, by the artifices of the treacherous and cruel tools of adminiſtration. If thoſe poor fellows had been told, that the preſent diſpute with the Britiſh miniſtry has no kind of relation to them; that the miniſtry are greater enemies to them than any of their maſters are; that the Aſſembly has frequently endeavoured to put a ſtop to the importation of ſlaves, but that the king has been prevailed on, by the African company of merchants in England, to refuſe his aſſent to ſuch laws as had been paſſed here for that purpoſe; that they muſt be ſenſible the more ſlaves there are in this country the more tobacco, &c. would be made, which is what the merchants of England, and miniſtry, muſt wiſh for, ſince the tobacco trade carries an immenſe ſum of money into their hands, and conſequently they can never wiſh that the ſlaves ſhould be ſet free: If they were told, that the miniſtry, ſo far from deſiring to ſet them free, are endeavouring to enſlave their maſters; that, if the miniſtry ſhould get the better of us, our eſtates muſt be forfeited, and, of conſequence, that our negroes will be ſold as part of our eſtates, probably in the Weſt Indies, where their condition will be ten times worſe than it is now; if they were told (which is a truth) that lord Dunmore has been heard to wiſh that he had an excuſe for cutting them all off; that, till his ſcheme of calling on them for aſſiſtance, he was cruel to his own, and was frequently heard to wiſh that there was not one negro in the country; if they were told what a riſk they run of being hanged if taken, and of having their wives and children cut off by our riflemen from the back country, who never wiſh to ſee a negro, and who will pour out their vengeance upon them whenever it is deſired; and laſtly, if they were reminded of their duty, as enjoined by the apoſtles, *Servants, obey your maſters*, and were taught the neceſſity of the different orders of men in this world, they would be contented with their ſituation, and expect a better condition in the next world, and not run a riſk of being unhappy here and miſerable hereafter. I am certain, if they had been told theſe things, not one ſlave would have joined our enemies; and the unhappy wretches would not have been killed at Hampton, and the two now in jail might have been happy at home.

Mr. PURDIE,

I REMEMBER ſeeing an account of capt. Creſap's rifle company ſhooting at a ſhingle that was held in one of the men's hands, and ſhot through by his brother. This was mentioned to be a very extraordinary thing, as indeed it was; but it is no more than what has been frequently done by the Virginia riflemen. I have known many people do it. At the diſtance of 200 yards, two men have ſhot into the ſame hole, in a paper not bigger than a dollar; and this mr. S. Athawes of London can atteſt, for he ſaw it done when he was in Frederick county, Virginia, and carried home with him the paper, through which it was but juſt diſcernable that two balls had paſſed. The riflemen now in our regiments declare, that they can hit a man every ſhoot if within 250 yards, and his head if within 150. As ſome proof of this, I can mention what happened a little while ago on one of the creeks near Williamſburg. A man had got into a canoe, out of a boat, upon ſeeing the riflemen, and was paddling off, when they hailed him. On his refuſing to ſtop, they fired ahead of him; and the man ſtill continuing his flight (thinking that by this time he had got out of their reach, as he has ſince confeſſed) the officer ordered his people to fire at him, which three of them did, when one ſhot went through the canoe, another through the man's waiſtcoat, bruſhing a button on his breaſt, and the third through his hat, within half an inch of his head. And laſt ſummer our riflemen under col. Lewis gave convincing proofs that their dexterity in ſhooting was not confined to mere butts and marks, or harmleſs game, but could be applied with incredible truth when aimed at the braveſt and moſt formidable of all enemies; for in that engagement there were more Indians killed than there were of French and Indians in Braddock's defeat, and more than I ever heard were killed in any engagement during the laſt war. And although the Indians, according to their manner of fighting, never fire twice from the ſame tree, and can very ſeldom be ſeen in an engagement, and when ſeen diſcover but their head and breaſt, or ſhoulders, yet great numbers of them were killed and wounded, and it is ſaid that all the dead were found ſhot through the head or breaſt. I wiſh that ſome abler pen was employed to celebrate the praiſes of our men in that engagement, and in major M'Donald's. It would then be ſeen with how much juſtice they ſaid in their glorious reſolves, that they could march and ſhoot with any troops in the world.

WILLIAMSBURG.

MONDAY, *Nov.* 13. The tenders which came up to Jameſtown the week before laſt, being hindered by our riflemen from burning the ferry-boats at that place, went down the river, and in the night deſtroyed the boats at Mulberry iſland, and at Hardy's, on the oppoſite ſhore; where there was no notice of their arrival, and conſequently no oppoſition. And laſt Thurſday, a large ſchooner, and two ſloops, carrying ſmall cannon and ſwivels, ſailed up to Burrell's ferry, under convoy of the Kingfiſher, capt. Montague; and coming to, in line of battle, abreaſt of the ferry-houſe, warehouſe, and boats, hailed a ſmall boat which lay at anchor about 300 yards from the ſhore, ordering her alongſide of the man of war; but ten riflemen, who happened to be ſtationed near this place, marching up to the bank, as near as they could get to the boat, ordered the ſkipper to ſtay where he was. Upon this the man of war fired at the boat, to enforce her orders, which ſo frightened the ſkipper that he would willingly have obeyed; but the riflemen alſo firing, their ſuperiour metal prevailed. The man of war then ſent off a barge to bring her off, which, as ſoon as within reach of our rifles, was ſo warmly ſaluted that ſhe thought proper to row back with precipitation, having loſt, as was thought, from their falling down, three men; upon which a ſmart cannonade enſued, but luckily did no other execution than ſending a ſix pound ball through both ſides of the warehouſe, very near to ſome of our men, and ſeveral ſtruck and buried in the bank under them. Soon after, the man of war made a ſecond attempt to take the boat; but the rifle guard having received a reinforcement of ten men, it proved as ineffectual as the firſt, for the barge, on receiving a ſmart fire, was immediately called back to the ſhip. Thus, by the bravery of a mere handful of men, the ferry-boats have been preſerved from deſtruction; and the boat in diſpute ſtill remains where it was, and where our people ordered it

ſhould ſtay. Theſe 20 brave fellows declare they want no aſſiſtance if even all the men on board the ſhip and tenders ſhould attempt to land, provided they come on ſhore fairly before them, and not land at ſeveral places, too far above and below them at once.

TUESDAY, *Nov.* 14. Laſt night, the man of war and tenders, leaving our men in poſſeſſion of the boat, which they brought cloſe into the ſhore, moved up to Jameſtown, but made no attempt to land any of their men, and ſtill keep out of the reach of our rifles. This day they received a reinforcement from Norfolk, in a tender which was ſent down on Sunday night for that purpoſe; however, capt. Green, with ſome of his riflemen, and part of a minute company, are ready to receive them.

WEDNESDAY, *Nov.* 15. Laſt night, a boat full of men attempted to land near the place where two rifle ſentinels were placed by capt. Green, on the Jameſtown beach, about half a mile below the captain and his men. The ſentinels immediately challenged them, but received no anſwer, upon which they fired at the boat, then about 50 yards diſtance, and one of them ran off to capt. Green, to bring him to the place, finding that the boat returned their fire- and was preſſing on them. The other ſentinel loaded again and fired, the boat ſtill rowing on till within 20 yards of the ſhore, when he diſcharged his rifle a third time, upon which he heard a terrible ſhrieking on board, and found that they tacked about and made off; ſo that, before capt. Green could come up, this brave fellow had repulſed a boat crowded with men.

THURSDAY, *Nov.* 16. This day ſerjeant Kelly was ſent from the camp at Cobham with the account of the affair at Princeſs Anne. He croſſed a little above where the man of war and tenders lay, who fired ſeveral ſhot at him, but he luckily got ſafe aſhore with his deſpatches. This Kelly is a very brave ſoldier, and was the firſt man that boarded the tender taken at Hampton.---The man of war likewiſe fired a few ſhot at col. Travis's houſes at Jameſtown, one of which went through the kitchen chimney.

LONDON, *Auguſt* 21.

WEDNESDAY a ſmall ſhip from Briſtol to America was ſtopped in the Briſtol channel, on an information given that ſhe was carrying out ſome warlike ammunition to the provincials, and on ſearching her there were found 30,000 muſkets.

It is reported that the miniſtry were by no means unanimous about iſſuing the late royal proclamation; and it is the opinion of many, that healing meaſures will certainly take place before the meeting of parliament.

Yeſterday ſeveral naval officers, who had been on half-pay ever ſince the laſt war, attended the admiralty board, were put into full, and ordered to repair immediately to their reſpective ſhips.

Yeſterday ſir Jeffery Amherſt, generals Hervey and Haldimand (the latter has been in America 18 years) with lord North, went to his majeſty at Kew, and ſtayed with him two hours in cloſe conference.

His majeſty has been pleaſed to promote William Tryon, eſq; governour of the province of New York, to be a major in the firſt regiment of foot guards, from which appointment it cannot be ſuppoſed that gentleman will be honoured with any military command upon the American ſtaff.

The forces intended to do duty in America early in the ſpring of 1776, excluſive of the officers, artillery, and marines, are to conſiſt of 31 battalions of 12 companies each, 60 rank and file per company, making in the whole 22,320 rank and file.

There is ſo much ſecrecy in the expeditions intended, that a noble lord, at the head of the admiralty, writes all orders himſelf.

Yeſterday 300 of the train of artillery, with their ſtores, tents, bedding, &c. embarked on board a tranſport ſhip for America. This is the ſecond embarkation.

Letters from Paris adviſe, that orders are given there to fill all the magazines with the neceſſary proviſions for 50,000 men.

The Sphynx, a ſnow, capt. Parks, from Ireland, with ſalt proviſions for Boſton, is ſaid to be loſt in the paſſage, and all on board periſhed.

EDINBURGH, *Auguſt* 23.

Extract of a letter from London, *Auguſt* 19.

FOR theſe three days paſt, it has been currently reported in town, that the plan of accommodation propoſed by the Congreſs, and brought over by mr. Penn, was ſo agreeable to the miniſtry that orders had been iſſued for hoſtilities to ceaſe, and that a reconciliation, upon a ſolid baſis, was immediately to take place. This news, however, is premature; the plan has not even as yet been laid before the council. What gave riſe to the report was, the gracious reception mr. Penn met with from his majeſty, and the hopes entertained at court that the plan propoſed will, in all probability, be the baſis of a negotiation, which will ſpeedily put an end to the preſent diſputes between America and the mother country."

An agent of one of the regiments at London writes, that the troops intended for America are countermanded, but does not mention whether it is on account of the proſpect of an accommodation, or agreeable to the former plan of the miniſtry, not to ſend over any more troops till the ſpring.

A gentleman juſt arrived in town, who left London on Thurſday, ſays, that expreſſes were very frequent between lord North and the other people in power; that a private conference was held by them and mr. Penn, in preſence of his majeſty; and that it was the general opinion in London, that a reconciliation would be brought about.

Auguſt 30. The London gazette, brought by this poſt, contains his majeſty's order in council, revoking all licenſes which had been formerly granted for the tranſportation, coaſtwiſe, of any gunpowder, arms, or ammunition, in conſequence of his majeſty's order in council of the 5th of April laſt, as great fraud and colluſion have been and may be practiſed in the ſhipping and exportation of ſuch articles; which prohibition is to continue in force for the ſpace of three months, from the 23d inſtant.

Extract of a letter from London, Aug. 22.

"Twenty one ſerjeants from the foot guards, ſent out to recruit, are gone to Ireland; and as faſt as they raiſe men they are to be forwarded immediately to America, to fill up the number wanted to complete thoſe regiments which ſuffered moſt in the engagement there. They are gone alone with orders to make corporals themſelves of the firſt men they enliſt; five guineas bounty is now given, which is more than was ordered for raiſing men in all the laſt war.

"No leſs than three meſſengers were ſent to his majeſty, at Kew, this day, from the ſecretaries of ſtates office.

"Several of the meſſengers from lord Dartmouth's office were out all Monday night, and it is ſuppoſed that the news from America will bring many in adminiſtration to attend the levee at St. James's to-morrow."

Extract of a letter from London, *Aug.* 22.

"We hear nothing farther of the petition brought over by mr. Penn, except that he has had another audience of the king, in company with the generals Amherſt, Haldimand, &c. but nothing of this conference tranſpires. Whatever be the conſequence of this petition, mr. Amherſt's plan of operations is adopted, and will be carried on with vigour, if pacifick meaſures do not take place. The plan is to have a ſtrong body of forces in America, whoſe orders are to act with ſuch caution as to leave nothing to hazard. By this means the provincials muſt be obliged to keep numerous forces in the field, a circumſtance which will ſooner diſtreſs them than any loſs they can meet with in a field of action."

CAMBRIDGE, *October* 26.

OTWAY BYRD, eſq; of Virginia, is appointed aid-de-camp to the hon. major-general Lee, in the abſence of S. Griffin, eſq.

Mr. John Gill, printer, mr. Peter Edes (ſon of mr. Benjamin Edes, printer) and mr. Starr, who have been, by the tyranny of Gage and his vile minions, confined in jail for ſeveral months paſt, were liberated a few days ago, on procuring bail for their not leaving the town. Mr. James Lovel ſtill remains in priſon.

NEW LONDON, *October* 27.

Extract of a letter from the captain of a veſſel in Cape Nichola Mole, *to his owner in this town, dated the 27th ult.*

FOUR thouſand troops arrived at Cape Francois the 21ſt inſtant from France, and 3000 more hourly expected at Port au Prince. The French are repairing all their fortreſſes throughout this iſland, and five to one is laid that there is a war with Great Britain before March next.

NEW YORK, *November* 6.

BY letters from Philadelphia, dated laſt Thurſday, we learn that a ſchooner was juſt arrived there from New Providence, the maſter of which reported, that a ſhip of war and two tranſports arrived at that iſland from Boſton, and demanded all the cannon and warelike ſtores in the place, but was not permitted to take off any part of either of the articles; however, the ſoldiers, conſiſting of one company, were embarked and ſailed.

Captain Robinſon, in a ſhip from Jamaica for Briſtol, was caſt away, the 24th of September, on the Martiers; and out of five galleons, that ſailed from Campeachy, four were diſmaſted, two of which put into Georgia, two more into South Carolina, and the fifth ſuppoſed to be loſt. The captain of the Tamar frigat, took the powder and caſh out of the galleons, on their arrival at Carolina; but the Spaniſh captains, in a few days after, took charge of the money themſelves.

The 27th of laſt month arrived at Hartford, in Connecticut, 18 priſoners of the 26th regiment, taken by a party of the provincial armynear St. John's.

The number of houſes burnt on the 18th of October at Falmouth, in Caſco Bay, by captain Mowett, amounts to 139 dwelling-houſes, and 278 ſtores, without one ſingle perſon of the inhabitants being hurt.

The following is what capt. Mowett ſent the people of Falmouth, ſoon after his arrival before that town.

Canceaux, Falmouth, *October* 16, 1775.

AFTER *ſo many premeditated attacks on the legal prerogative of the beſt of ſovereigns, after the repeated inſtances you have experienced in Britain's long forbearance of the rod of correction, and the manifeſt and paternal extenſion of her hands to embrace again and again, have been regarded as vain and negatory; and, in place of a dutiful and grateful return to your king and parent ſtate, you have been guilty of the moſt unpardonable rebellion, ſupported by the ambition of a ſet of deſigning men, whoſe inſidious views have cruelly impoſed on the credulity of their fellow-creatures; and, at laſt, have brought the whole into the ſame dilemma, which leads me to feel, not a little, the woes of the*

innocent of them in particular, on the preſent occaſion, from my having it in orders to execute a juſt puniſhment in the town of Falmouth: In the name of which authority, I previouſly warn you to remove, without delay, the human ſpecies out of the ſaid town; for which purpoſe I give you the time of two hours, at the period of which a red pendant will be hoiſted at the main top-gallant-maſt head, with a gun. But ſhould your imprudence lead you to ſhow the leaſt reſiſtance, you will in that caſe free me of that humanity ſo ſtrongly pointed out in my orders, as well as in my inclination. I do alſo obſerve, that all thoſe who did on a former occaſion fly to the king's ſhip under my command for protection, that the ſame door is now open to receive them.

The officer who will deliver this letter I expect to return immediately, unmoleſted.

I am, &c. *H. MOWETT.*

In conſequence of the barbarous proceedings of the enemy at Falmouth, vaſt numbers of men have been employed, for ſeveral days paſt, in fortifying the towns and harbours of Portſmouth, Newbury Port, Beverley, Salem, and Marblehead. We hope our ſouthern brethren are alſo preparing for defence, as no mercy is to be expected from our ſavage enemies.

The officers of the 18th, or royal regiment of Ireland, after the men were draughted into other regiments, embarked lately at Boſton, and ſailed for England.

Nov. 6. An expreſs, which arrived here on Wedneſday from S. Carolina, informs, that the inhabitants of Charleſtown have taken every meaſure neceſſary for their protection and defence, in caſe they ſhould be attacked by any ſhips of war or troops; and that there are up the country more than 10,000 men, well armed, who are ready to come to their aſſiſtance upon the ſhorteſt notice; alſo, that the hon. William Drayton, eſq; had reconciled a number of perſons in the back parts, who, having been impoſed upon by ſome artful incendiaries, had entertained unfavourable ſentiments of the preſent oppoſition to the arbitrary proceedings of adminiſtration.

PHILADELPHIA, *November* 4.

BY an expreſs arrived from the eaſtward, we have the following intelligence: That fort Chamblee ſurrendered to major Brown, of the Maſſachuſetts Bay, who commanded the party that went againſt it. Major Brown offered his ſervice on this occaſion to general Montgomery, and the general writes, "that upon this, and all other occaſions, he has found him active and intelligent." That the enemy's ſchooner is ſunk, the troops in high ſpirits, and that he was in expectation of ſoon accompliſhing his buſineſs, as, with the ſix tuns of gunpowder taken by major Brown, he intended to ſet to work in earneſt. That col. Warner had had a bruſh with a party from Montreal, and that the enemy retired with the loſs of five priſoners and ſome killed. That the Caghnawagas had deſired 100 men, which he had complied with, and was glad to find they placed ſo much confidence in him. That the commanding-officer at St. John's had been ſo polite as to let our batteaus paſs to the head of the Rapids, in order to take in the baggage of the Chamblee garriſon.

With 77 privates, taken priſoners, were the following officers, beſides a number of women and children: Major Stopford. Capt. Price ſick. Capt. Goodwin. Lieutenants Harman, Harriſon, and Shittleworth. Capt. Alge, of the ſchooner. Commiſſary M'Cullough. A ſurgeon.

There was alſo taken in the fort, a large quantity of proviſions of all kinds, 124 barrels of powder, one box of muſket ſhot, 6564 muſket cartridges, 150 ſtand of French arms, 3 royal mortars, 61 ſhells, 500 hand-grenades, 83 royal fuſileers, 83 accoutrements, and rigging for three veſſels, and two colours of the 7th regiment, or Royal Scotch Fuſileers, which are ſent to the Congreſs.

Captain Stiles arrived here on Friday from Bermuday. Coming out, he ſpoke a veſſel, that left London the 10th of September, the captain of which informed him that he ſailed with three men of war, and 25 tranſports, with 5000 Hanoverians, bound for Charleſtown, South Carolina.

Extract of a letter from Boſton, *October* 8.

"There are ſeveral veſſels belonging to Philadelphia here, viz. captains Dean, Doman, Bradford, Mullowny, Warden, and brig Polly Hurſt, for Madeira, beſides about 50 ſail more belonging to other ports, the Weſt Indies &c."

IN CONGRESS, *July* 19, 1775.

Whereas the government of Great Britain hath prohibited the exportation of *arms* and *ammunition* to any of the plantations, and endeavoured to prevent other nations from ſupplying us:

Reſolved, that for the better ſupplying theſe colonies with the neceſſary means of defending their rights, every veſſel importing gunpowder, ſaltpetre, ſulphur, provided they bring with the ſulphur four times as much ſaltpetre, braſs field-pieces, or good muſkets fitted with bayonets, within nine months from the date of this reſolution, ſhall be permitted to load and export the produce of theſe colonies, to the value of ſuch powder and ſtores aforeſaid, the non-exportation agreement notwithſtanding; and it is recommended to the committees of the ſeveral provinces to inſpect the military ſtores ſo imported, and to eſtimate a generous price for the ſame, according to their goodneſs, and permit the importer of ſuch powder and other military ſtores aforeſaid to export the value thereof, and no more, in produce of any kind.

CHARLES THOMPSON, ſecretary.

IN CONGRESS, *October* 18, 1775.

Reſolved, that a juſt and well authenticated account of the hoſtilities committed by the miniſterial troops and navy in America, ſince laſt March, be collected, with proper evidence of the truth of the fact related, the number and value of the buildings deſtroyed by them, alſo the number and value of the veſſels, inward and outward bound, which have been ſeized by them ſince that period, as near as the number and value can be aſcertained, alſo the ſtock taken by them from different parts of he continent.----That mr. *Deane*, mr. *J. Adams*, and mr. *Wythe*, be a committee for this purpoſe.

CHARLES THOMPSON, ſecretary.

IN CONGRESS, *Nov.* 1, 1775.

Reſolved, That no produce of the united colonies be exported (except from colony to colony, under the direction of the committees of inſpection and obſervation, and except from one part to another of the ſame colony) before the firſt day of March next, without the permiſſion and order of this Congreſs.

CHARLES THOMPSON, ſecretary.

N. B. *The above committee requeſt the printers of the ſeveral publick papers in the united colonies to inſert the above for three or four weeks ſucceſſively, and all perſons poſſeſſed of any facts relative to, or that may throw light on the above ſubject, to tranſmit the ſame to them as early as poſſible.*

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 17.

COL. Henry received an expreſs yeſterday morning with the following intelligence, viz. that lord Dunmore, having received advice that about 200 of the Princeſs Anne militia were on their march to join the troops deſtined for the protection of the lower parts of the country, marched from Norfolk laſt Tueſday, about 10 o'clock P. M. to intercept them; who, not having the leaſt intelligence of his lordſhip's approach, were obliged to engage under every diſadvantage, both as to the enemy's ſuperiority in point of numbers, and the ſituation of the ground, being hemmed in by a fence. Our people fought a conſiderable time, and it is thought did great execution; but were at laſt overpowered, and forced to retreat, with the loſs of mr. John Ackiſs in the minute ſervice, killed on the ſpot, and col. Joſeph Hutchings, and one mr. Williams, wounded, who were taken priſoners, with ſeven others. The publick, no doubt, will be exceedingly incenſed on finding that lord Dunmore has taken into his ſervice the *very ſcum* of the country to aſſiſt him in his diabolical ſchemes againſt the good people of this government, all well attached to his majeſty, but mortal enemies to his infamous miniſtry and their ſubordinate tools; but it is to be hoped his ſphere of miſchief will ſoon be circumſcribed within narrow bounds, as col. Woodford, with about 800 as brave troops as the world can produce, are now on their march to Norfolk, and, ſhould his lordſhip incline to give them battle, we have not the ſmalleſt doubt will give a very ſatisfactory account of him.

By a letter from Philadelphia, we learn that it was expected St. John's would ſoon fall into our hands, after the taking of Chamblee. Col. Arnold, with the troops gone againſt Quebeck, was got within about 90 miles of it when the laſt accounts came from him, and expected to be there by the 20th of October, and was in hopes the fall of St. John's would leave general Schuyler at liberty to detach 1500 men to his aſſiſtance.

At a committee held for Prince Edward *county, at the courthouſe, on* Thurſday *the 26th of* October 1775.

THE committee took into their conſideration the proceedings of the late Colonial Convention held at Richmond, July the 17th, 1775; and, after mature deliberation on the ſame, came to the following reſolutions:

Reſolved unanimouſly, that this committee doth entirely and heartily approve the reſolutions and ordinances of the ſaid Convention; that they conſider them as having the full force and power of a law, and as ſuch ought to be equally binding and obligatory on all the good people of Virginia; and that we will exert, from time to time, in our reſpective capacities, our true and unremitting endeavours in carrying the ſame into full and complete execution, according to the true ſenſe and ſpirit thereof; and that we ſhall moſt certainly rank in the ſame claſs as our common and avowed enemy any perſon or perſons who ſhall preſume, willingly and intentionally, to infringe the ſame, or attempt to obſtruct the free execution thereof; and, as ſuch, they ſhall be ſure of meeting our juſt reſentment and indignation.

Reſolved unanimouſl, that our cordial and unfeigned thanks are juſtly due to the worthy delegates who compoſed the ſaid Convention, for their honeſt zeal and attachment to the great American cauſe in general, and the intereſt of their conſtituents in particular, as manifeſted through their proceedings.

Ordered, that the clerk tranſmit a copy of the above reſolutions to mr. Purdie, and entreat him to publiſh the ſame as ſoon as convenient.

JOHN NASH, jun. chairman.

*** We have received ſome pieces lately, which the authors muſt be ſenſible, upon due recollection, are quite unfit to appear in a publick newſpaper, where *chaſtity* of language is always expected, that *modeſty* may not be put to the *bluſh*.--The copy of verſes from Amherſt, upon the death of a worthy gentleman, the late col. Robert Bolling of Buckingham (to uſe the author's own words) appear rather *weak*, *too weak*, to celebrate his many virtues.

FALLS of JAMES river, *October* 25, 1775.

AT the ſolicitation of many gentlemen on *Potowmack*, and influenced by my own intereſt on that river, I have been endeavouring to open its navigation from tide-water upwards, and have been at conſiderable expenſe in preparation, &c. to forward that uſeful work; but the neceſſity of a *Maryland* act of aſſembly co-operating with one paſſed in *Virginia*, and which I have not yet been able to obtain, has obliged me to decline it for the preſent.

This diſappointment would be more affecting, if it did not afford me an opportunity of employing my time and attention in opening and extending the navigation of *James* river, which, though a work leſs intereſting to me, is of equal utility to the publick. But to make my intereſt in ſome meaſure correſpond with the publick's, I have paid 560 l. ſterling to mr. *Patrick Coutts* for the land ſituated on the river, where the water muſt be taken out into the canal, and where I have begun, and done ſome part of the canal, with other improvements, very expenſive.

I therefore inform the publick, that, having a fee-ſimple therein, I am going on with the canal at my own expenſe, and will farther riſk my whole fortune and time on the ſucceſs of my undertaking, and deſire no aid or aſſiſtance until I make the navigation ſafe and eaſy to *Shocko* warehouſe; expecting, nevertheleſs, the more large and generous contributions from all who benefit when the work is done.

N. B. I want to hire 100 SLAVES for the above purpoſe, and would be glad to treat with any perſon or perſons inclinable; at the ſame time, could aſſiſt with the beſt part of their winter clothing, if not otherwiſe provided.

JOHN BALLENDINE.

For SALE

BAY BOLTON, a full-blooded hunter, 8 years old, 16 hands high, formed for ſtrength and activity, clear of all blemiſh, and very healthy. He is of a fine bay colour, with one white foot, and has a ſnip and ſtar. He was got by *Holmes's* STARLING, out of a full-blooded hunter mare. For *Starling*, mr. *Holmes* refuſed 1000 guineas. *Bay Bolton's* colts, theſe two ſeaſons, have turned out very fine. One fourth of his price to be paid in hand, the remainder in two yearly payments, for which bond and ſecurity will be demanded, by

(4) JOHN CARLYLE.

CHARLES CITY, ſc.

William Rickman, *one of his majeſty's juſtices of the peace for the ſaid county, to all ſheriffs, mayors, bailiffs, conſtables, and head-boroughs, within the colony and dominion of* Virginia:

WHEREAS complaint is this day made to me, upon the oath of *William Gregory*, that AARON and MICHAEL, two negro ſlaves formerly belonging to the hon. *William Byrd*, eſq; and who were under ſentence of death, did, on the 10th inſtant, forcibly eſcape from the jail of this county, and are now going at large: Theſe are therefore, in his majeſty's name, to require you, and every of you, in your reſpective counties, towns, and precincts, to make diligent ſearch, by way of hue, and cry, for the ſaid *Aaron* and *Michael*, and them having found to ſeize and retake, and ſafely convey, or cauſe to be ſafely conveyed, to the jail of the ſaid county of *Charles City*, there to be kept until they ſhall be thence diſcharged by due courſe of law.

Given under my hand and ſeal this 12th day of *July*, 1775, in the 15th year of the reign of our ſovereign lord GEORGE III.

(tf) WILLIAM RICKMAN.

To be SOLD at publick auction, purſuant to the laſt will and teſtament of mr. John Todd Bickerton, *deceaſed, at* Hanover *courthouſe, on the firſt* thurſday *in* December *next, being court day,*

ONE tract of LAND lying on the *Byrd* creek, in *Albemarle* county, containing 700 acres, with a plantation cleared ſufficient to work ſeven or eight hands, and convenient buildings for a family. Alſo one other tract, lying on *Hickory* creek, in *Louiſa* county, containing 145 acres, without any improvements thereon. Theſe lands are ſubject to the dower of mrs. *Martha Bickerton*. Twelve months credit will be allowed, the purchaſer giving bond, with approved ſecurity, to the executors. (7)

To be SOLD, on ſhort or long credit, or for ready money,

THE tract of land where I live, called *Drummond's Neck*, containing 700 acres, in *James City* county, about 15 miles from *Williamsburg*. The land, in common, is very level and rich. There are, I ſuppoſe, 300 acres of marſh, ſuperiour to any I have ſeen. It lies high, remarkably dry, and convenient to be reclaimed. Plenty of wildfowl, almoſt of all kinds, frequent here. On this land are two exceeding fine fiſheries, all convenient, and neceſſary houſes, with a garden lately built. I will alſo ſell my ſtocks of cattle, ſheep, and hogs, with my crops of wheat, oats, corn, and fodder. Although this piece of land has many advantages in its ſituation which others have not that are on the river, yet I cannot poſſeſs an equal ſhare of health here, not being uſed to the lower parts of the country for ſeveral years paſt.

(6) JOHN AYLETT.

N. B. I want to hire a CARPENTER, a ſingle man, for a few months.

ESSEX county, *September* 10, 1775.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, about the middle of *July* laſt, a *Virginia* born negro lad named NED, who is about 18 years of age, and about 5 feet high; one of his hands has a large ſcar, occaſioned by its being burnt when he was a child, by which means ſome of his fingers grow together. He has a flat face and long head, which is remarkably ſharp on the top. His clothes were ſuch as is common for working negroes, and he was ſeen going down the country. Whoever will ſecure the ſaid negro, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have a reward of 40 s. beſides what the law allows.

(tf) JAMES EDMONDSON.

YORK TOWN, *September* 19, 1775.

RUN away from col. *Philip Rootes*, of *King* & *Queen*, a negro man named HARRY, who ſome years ago was mortgaged to the hon. *William Nelſon*. It is with good reaſon ſuſpected that he is lurking about *Weſt Point*, and that he is harboured by ſome of col. *Thomas Moore's* negroes. Whoever ſecures and delivers the ſaid negro, either to col. *Rootes* or to one of us, ſhall have 40 s. reward.

(tf) THE EXECUTORS.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, at *Weſt Point*, in *King William* county, the 21ſt of laſt *December*, a very likely *Virginia* born negro man, named MIKE, about 22 years old, ſix feet high, and ſtutters much; had on, when he went away, a ſuit of negro cotton, but may probably change his clothes. I forewarn all maſters of veſſels from carrying him out of the colony. Whoever brings the ſaid negro to me ſhall have 31. reward, beſides what the law allows, and if taken out of the colony 10 l. (tf.) JOHN WEST.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, in *Glouceſter* county, on the 14th of this inſtant (*May*) a negro man named NED, about 19 or 20 years of age, five feet two or three inches high, rather of a tawny complexion, has ſome ringworms on his face, and ſome white hairs in his head; his clothing was an old brown coat, and a yellow ſtriped cotton waiſtcoat. I bought him laſt *March* at the ſale of mr. *John Shermer* in *James City* county, for *Mann Page*, junior, eſquire. He was brought from one of his quarters in *King William* county, and I have reaſon to believe that he will go to thoſe parts, or to his mother, who lives with mr. *Thomas Booth*, in *Richmond* town. Any perſon who will take up the ſaid ſlave, and ſecure him ſo that I get him again, ſhall be paid 40 s. by *Mann Page*, junior, eſquire, to whom the negro belongs.

(tf) JAMES JONES.

COMMITTED to *Norfolk* county jail, on the 8th of *March* laſt, a negro man, who ſays his name is DAVY, and that he belongs to *William Smith* on the eaſtern ſhore of *Maryland;* he is about 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high. The owner is deſired to take him away, and pay charges.

(12) SAMUEL PORTLOCK, jailer.

COMMITTED to *Norfolk* county jail, on the 10th of *September* laſt, a ſlim negro man, who ſays his name is WILLIAM PARROT, that he is a freeman, and was born about a mile from *Williamſburg;* he is about 6 feet 2 inches high. His owner (if any) is deſired to take him away, and pay charges, (12)

SAMUEL PORTLOCK. jailer.

FOR SALE,

A TRACT of LAND, containing 3000 acres, whereon is a plantation which has employed, for ſome years paſt, twelve or fourteen ſlaves; this tract lies in the upper end of *King William* county. Alſo a tract lying in the lower end of the ſaid county, containing 1100 acres, and pleaſantly ſituated on *Pamunkey* river; a brick dwelling-houſe, with neceſſary offices, a fiſhing ſhore, and a lively fertility of ſoil, recommend the latter tract to any gentleman who may be about to ſettle in life. Poſſeſſion will be delivered on the 25th of *December* next, to the purchaſer, or purchaſers, who will have liberty of ſowing fall grain. Mr. *Benjamin Grymes*, jun. of *Orange*, will make known particulars to any perſon who may be inclined to purchaſe the whole, or any part of the ſaid tracts. Credit till the firſt of *January* 1777 will be allowed, by

JUDITH ROBINSON.
(tf.) LUCY ROBINSON,
BENJAMIN GRYMES, jun.

To be SOLD *in* Amherſt *county,*

FOUR THOUSAND acres of exceeding good tobacco LAND, being part of a large tract formerly advertiſed, together with a very valuable griſtmill, upon *Buffalo* river. This land is equal to any that has yet been ſold of the tract. The time of payment will be made agreeable to purchaſers. Mr. *Gabriel Penn*, who lives near the land, is authoriſed to bargain for it, and will ſhow it to any perſon inclinable to purchaſe.

(tf) CARTER BRAXTON.

For SALE,

A TRACT of LAND in *Caroline* county, contiguous to *Mattapony*, containing about 2000 acres of well timbered land, the property of mr. *Robert Baylor*. The terms may be known by applying to mr. *Nathaniel Burwell* in *King William*, mr. *John Armiſtead* in *Caroline*, or mr. *John Baylor*, executors. (tf)

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FRIDAY, November 17, 1775. SUPPLEMENT. No. 42.

At a committee appointed and held for Hanover *county, on* Wednesday *the 8th of* November 1775.

THIS committee being apprehenſive that the enemies of America may be ſupplied with grain, or other proviſion, by tranſporting the ſame by water: Therefore, it is hereby directed and ordered, that no perſon within their juriſdiction be allowed to carry any grain, or other proviſion, from landing to landing, without a permit from John Syme, William Johnſon, Benjamin Anderſon, William Anderſon (ſon of Nelſon) and Barttelot Anderſon, gentlemen, or any two of them; and that the perſons praying ſuch permit do give bond and ſecurity, payable to the Committee of Safety for the time being, or their ſucceſſours, in ſuch ſums as ſhall be adjudged neceſſary by the above gentlemen, to comply with ſuch orders as they ſhall direct.

Ordered, that a copy be tranſmitted to the printers to be publiſhed.

WILLIAM BEATLEY, clerk.

The following gentlemen are choſen a committee for Hanover county, agreeable to a late order of Convention, viz. Benjamin Anderſon, William Craghead, William Macon, Thomas Garland, Garland Anderſon, Thomas Trevillian, John Syme, John Pendleton, Samuel Meredith, George Dabney, Samuel Overton, William Anderſon of Dundee, John Starke, ſen. Barttelot Anderſon, William Anderſon ſon of Nelſon, Charles Crenſhaw, Nelſon Anderſon, jun. John Starke, jun. William Johnſon, Barret White, and Paul Thilman.

To be LET to the higheſt bidder, at Hanover *courthouſe, for the enſuing year, on* Thurſday *the 7th of* December *next*,

THE well accuſtomed tavern in *Hanover* town belonging to the eſtate of *Thomas Tinſley*, deceaſed. The many conveniencies belonging to this houſe are too well known to require a particular deſcription, and therefore it is ſufficient to ſay, they are equalled by very few, and exceeded by none in the colony. Bond and ſecurity, to the adminiſtratrix, will be required. Any perſon inclined to engage by private contract may apply to *Leighton Wood*, jun. for terms.

To be rented till Chriſtmas 1776, *and may be entered on immediately*,

A TENEMENT in the town of *Richmond*, oppoſite to mrs. *Younghuſband's* tavern, which will ſuit very well either for a tavern or two families. The houſes are in very good repair, and there is a large garden, and a ſtable that will hold twelve horſes. Any perſon inclinable to rent the ſaid tenement may apply to mr. *George Donald*, near *Richmond*, who is fully empowered to rent the ſame, by

GEORGE MUTER.

I INTEND to leave the colony ſoon, and to return in a few months.

NINIAN MENZIES.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the ſubſcriber in *King William*, about the beginning of *October* laſt, a *black horſe intermixed all over with white hairs*, paces altogether in the bridle, is about 4 feet 7 or 8 inches high, has a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, and branded on the near buttock R. Whoever conveys the ſaid horſe to me ſhall have 40s. reward.

(2) CALEB TURNER.

COMMITTED to *Eſſex* county jail, a negro fellow who calls himſelf *William Pig*, and ſays he belongs to doctor *William Clarke* of *Charlotte* county. The owner is deſired to take him away, and pay charges.

JAMES EMERSON, jailer.

THE ſubſcriber intends to leave the colony ſoon, and will return in a few months. In his abſence, mr. *John Barret* is fully empowered to tranſact his buſineſs.

ROBERT BAINE.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 15, 1775.

BROKE jail on *Monday* the 13th inſtant (*November*) a remarkable light mulatto ſlave, named DICK, the property of mr. *Anthony Lamb* of *Amelia*, about 20 years old, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, has a down look, a ſcar in his upper lip, ſhort dark hair, and dark eyes; had on, a red lappelled ſailor's waiſtcoat, narrow oſnabrug trouſers and ſhirt, a cocked hat, and ſhoes and ſtockings. He has been run away for 18 months paſt, and went by water as a freeman, till laſt ſummer, when he enliſted as a ſoldier, in *Princeſs Anne* county, under capt. *Davis*, by the name of *Will. Thompſon*, and came to this city, where he was taken up, and committed to jail. I imagine he will again try to paſs for a freeman, and endeavour to get on board ſome veſſel, or return to *Princeſs Anne*, where I hear he left a crop of corn. Whoever ſecures him in any jail, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have 40s. and if brought home to me 3l. reward.

JOHN LAMB.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD,

FOR apprehending BAKER FULLAM, a 21 years ſervant, who ran away about the latter end of *September* laſt. He had on a blue lappelled coat with white metal buttons, and I believe a blue jacket and leather breeches, pretty much worn. He ſtole from a young man, a tutor in my family, a white ſhirt marked A. S. a blue ſurtout coat, a pair of black everlaſting breeches, one of nankeen do. a pair of thread ſtockings, and another of marbled worſted, a pair of ſhoes little worn, with a pair of pinchbeck ſhoe buckles, and a beaver hat about half worn. He is a likely well ſet fellow, about 27 years old, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, is of a light colour, with hazle eyes, and wears his hair, which is ſhort, and of a dark brown colour. He has a ſcar on one of his cheeks, which he received for one of the many villanies he has committed during his ſervitude. He it a plauſible fellow, talks much, eſpecially when in liquor, and will be very impertinent if not checked. He is a good groom, and boaſts his ſkill in that way. He has been accuſtomed for many years to wait upon me, and made an elopement from *Richmond* at the laſt Convention, where he was apprehended, and brought to me ſoon after my return. I ſuſpect he is now harboured by ſome of the free mulattoes or negroes in that neighbourhood; or probably he may offer his ſervices to lord *Dunmore*, who, I am told, does not object to the colour or condition of any. The above reward will be given if he is apprehended in the neighbourhood of *Williamſburg*, if 100 miles off, 4l. if 50 miles 50s. at a ſmaller diſtance and out of this county 40s. and if within the county 20s. if brought home, otherwiſe the milage to be deducted out of the reward.

THOMAS BLACKBURN.

Prince William, near *Dumfries*, *Nov.* 6.

TAKEN up in *Amherſt*, *two ſteers*. One of them is black, about 4 years old, marked with a crop and underkeel in the right ear, and a ſwallow-fork in the left. The other is black and white, about 7 or 8 years old, has a blemiſh in his right eye, marked with a crop and ſlit in the right ear, with a crop in the left, and branded on the near buttock O.

JOHN CABELL.

STAFFORD county, AQUIA, *Nov.* 8, 1775.

RUN off laſt night from the ſubſcriber, a negro man named CHARLES, who is a very ſhrewd ſenſible fellow, and can both read and write; and as he has always waited upon me, he muſt be well known through moſt parts of *Virginia* and *Maryland*. He is very black, has a large noſe, and is about 5 feet 8 or 10 inches high. He took a variety of clothes, which I cannot well particulariſe, ſtole ſeveral of my ſhirts, a pair of new ſaddle bags, and two mares, one a darkiſh, the other a light bay, with a blaze and white feet, and about 3 years old. From many circumſtances, there is reaſon to believe he intends an attempt to get to lord *Dunmore*; and as I have reaſon to believe his deſign of going off was long premeditated, and that he has gone off with ſome accomplice, I am apprehenſive he may prove daring and reſolute, if endeavoured to be taken. His elopement was from no cauſe of complaint, or dread of a whipping (for he has always been remarkably indulged, indeed too much ſo) but from a determined reſolution to get liberty, as he conceived, by flying to lord *Dunmore*. I will give 5l. to any perſon who ſecures him, and the mares, ſo that I get them again.

ROBERT BRENT.

N. B. Since writing the above adverti ſement, the mares have returned, and there is a great probability, from many circumſtances, to conclude that he was taken from *Dumfries*, in company with a white ſervant of mr. *Andrew Leitch's*, in an oyſter boat belonging to one *Kelly*, near *Smith's* point, in *Northumberland*. I will give 10l. if he is taken, and allow a handſome gratuity to any perſon who can convict *Kelly* of having carried him off.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 14, 1775.

STOLEN ont of my company, a few days paſt, a ſmall *RIFLE GUN* with a yellow ſtock ſomewhat defaced, without a box, and broken juſt below the lock; the breech is mended with three iron pins. Whoever will produce the ſaid gun to the commanding-officer at this place ſhall have 20s. reward, and on conviction of the thief 40s.

WILLIAM FONTAIN.

YORK TOWN, *November* 7, 1775.

STOLEN from *Fleet's* ferry landing on *Mattapony* river, laſt *Friday* night, a 25 hhd FLAT, with her ſail, covering, anchor, cable, &c. The frame is of mulberry, and the yard quite new. Two ſailors, who came paſſengers down the river, from *Todd's* warehouſe, in the flat, were miſſing at the ſame time, and it is ſuppoſed have carried her to *Norfolk*, or up the bay. Whoever ſecures the flat, and will give me intelligence ſo that I get her again, ſhall be handſomely rewarded.

DAVID JAMESON.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the ſubſcriber in *Charles City*, the 7th of this inſtant, at night, *a light bay mare* 4 feet 5 or 6 inches high, has no brand that I remember, but many ſaddle ſpots on her back, paces, trots, and gallops well, drags her hind feet, and was with foal when taken from me. Whoever brings the ſaid mare to me, if taken in this or *New Kent* county, ſhall have a dollar reward; if in any other county, 20s.

JOHN SHEARMAN.

COMMITTED to *Eſſex* county jail, as a runaway, *Iſaac Lewis*, by trade a waggon-maker, about 5 feet 11 inches high, and ſays he is a native of *Pennſylvania*; he has on an old drab coat and green waiſtcoat, oſnabrug ſhirt, and an old felt hat.

JAMES EMERSON, jailer.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 8, 1775.

THE attorney-general's *slaves* and *houshold furniture*, which were advertised for sale at the next meeting of the merchants, will be sold the 25th day of this month, by

JOHN BLAIR, } surviving trustees.
JAMES COCKE, }

To be SOLD, the 20th of this instant (November) *being* York *court day*,

THE personal estate of mrs. Mary Lightfoot, *deceased, consisting of houshold furniture, some Madeira wines, two horses, two carts, with a seine and pettiaugre. Twelve months credit will be allowed for all sums above* 5*l. the purchasers giving bond and security to*

WILLIAM ALLEN.

NOVEMBER 8, 1775.

WAS *lost by the troops that went from this place to* Hampton, *on* thursday *the* 26*th of* October *last, a VERY LARGE SORREL HORSE, branded on one, or both buttocks,* I B; *has a small star in his forehead, a long hanging mane and switch tail, trots hard, and gallops well. Any person who delivers the said horse to mr.* James Somervill *merchant in* Fredericksburg, *to mrs.* Stevens *at* Culpeper *court-house, or to mr.* William Fitnie *of* Williamsburg, *shall receive a reward of* 40*s.*

EDWARD STEVENS.

Wanted immediately,

AN *ADJUTANT* to the minute battalion of *Southampton* district, also a person who understands the *FIFE* and beating of the *DRUM* to perfection. Any persons qualified for the above purposes, that want employment, and can come well recommended, are desired to apply to the commanding-officer of the said battalion.

STOLEN *from the subscriber's pasture, near* Williamsburg, *a light bay mare, 3 years old next spring, about 4 feet 4 inches high, has a star in her forehead a little larger than a dollar, both hind feet white, a hanging mane and switch tail, and paces naturally. Whoever brings her to me in* Williamsburg, *shall have* 20*s.*

GABRIEL MAUPIN.

N. B *I will not be answerable for any that may get away for the future.*

NORTHUMBERLAND, *October* 20, 1775.

RUN AWAY from the subscriber, a negro man named *BEN*, about 25 years old, is very black, middle sized, has a scar over one of his eyes, occasioned by a burn when young, and had on when he went away (which is about three months ago) such clothes as negroes commonly wear in summer. He is a pretty good sawer, and can do a little at the carpenters work. I will give 5*l.* reward to any person who will deliver him to me, if taken in *Virginia*, if in *Maryland* or *Carolina*, 10*l.* I suspect some person has forged a pass for him, that he may travel as a freeman.

7‖ JOHN GORDON.

TAKEN up in *Caroline*, last *April*, a BLACK STONE COLT about 4 feet 2 inches high, appears to be about two years old last spring, has no white about him, and is neither dockt nor branded. I have had him cut. The owner may have him by applying to me, near the *Guinea* bridges.

WILLIAM ARNOLD.

TAKEN up in *Augusta*, a BLACK MARE about 14 years old, 14 hands and a half high, has a large star in her forehead, some saddle marks, is a trotter, and has a blotched brand on her near shoulder; along with her there is a year old BLACK FILLY. Posted, and appraised to 3*l.* 15*s.*

‖ GAWIN HAMILTON.

To be rented to the highest bidder, on the 11*th of* December, *and entered upon at* Christmas,

A PLANTATION near *Winchester*, called *Neville's*, belonging to the estate of *James Burwell*, esq; deceased, consisting of 1100 acres of land, together with 12 hands, which are now on the land. The quality of the land is extremely good, and the meadow ground in good order. There is on the premises a commodious stone dwellinghouse with eight rooms, and all necessary buildings for a large farm. If any person should incline to make a private bargain, application may be made to major *Cocke* of *Loudoun* county, or

ANNE BURWELL.

KING's creek, *Nov.* 7, 1775.

STRAYED *or* STOLEN *from* Hampton, *a light bay horse about* 14 *hands and a half high, with a blaze in his face, white hairs in his mane and tail, paces and gallops well, and branded on the off buttock* C R N. *He was rode from* Williamsburg *by capt.* Buford *of the rifle company. Whoever will bring the said horse to mr.* Alexander Purdie, *printer, shall have* 20*s. reward.*

BEVERLEY DICKSON.

WHEREAS, I some time in the year 1773, purchased a tract of land, containing 350 acres, lying on the waters of *Rocky* creek, in the county of *Albemarle*, of one *William Crawford*, of the county aforesaid, in part payment of which I passed two bonds to the said *Crawford*, for the sum of 15*l.* each, the one payable the 15th of *June* 1775, the other the 15th of *June* 1776, and as there is a dispute between us about the said tract of land, this is to forewarn all persons from taking an assignment of either of them.

2‖ DAVID RODES.

AS nothing becomes an honest man more than to acknowledge his errour as soon as he is convinced he is in one, the subscribers, living in the county of *Amherst*, do hereby acknowledge that we were led into a mistake by taking up a groundless report to the prejudice of the character and reputation of mr. *Patrick Crawford*, of the county of *Augusta*. We do therefore acknowledge our fault, and ask pardon of the said *Crawford* for spreading a report which we are now convinced was false and malicious.

MICHAEL CRAFT.
ELIZABETH CRAFT.

To be rented for one or more years, and entered upon directly,

THE HOUSE and TENEMENT in *Richmond* town which mr. *Patrick Coutts*, merchant, at present possesses, belonging to the estate of capt. *James Gunn*. It is one of the most beautiful and healthy situations in *America*.

JAMES BUCHANAN,
Guardian for the heir.

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 22, 1775.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the subscriber, a *bay horse* about 14 hands and a half high, with a hanging mane and small switch tail, the mane on his near side, has some saddle spots on his back, and branded on the near buttock thus hardly perceivable. Whoever brings him to me, coach and chair-maker, near the capitol, shall have 20*s.* reward, or 5*l.* on conviction of the thief.

WILLIAM HOLLIDAY.

*** Several CHAIRS for sale.

TAKEN up in *Chesterfield*, a BAY MARE 6 or 7 years old, 4 feet 9 inches high, appears to be blooded, is short dockt, shod before, branded on the near shoulder resembling a woman's stirrup-iron, and looks as if she had been much rode bareback. Posted, and appraised to 16*l.*

‖ WILLIAM MOORE.

RUN away from the subscriber, in *Botetourt* county, on the 13th instant, a convict servant man named JOHN MURPHEY, about 5 feet 3 inches high, with a large and bushy head of dark coloured hair, is an *Englishman*, speaks plain, and writes well. He was dressed when he went away in a white Russia-drill coat and waistcoat, and leather breeches, but probably will change his clothes (as he took with him a variety of others) and attempt to pass as a freeman. He carried away nine holland shirts, two ruffled ones marked IM, with broad hems on the ruffles, two others plain marked AC, with the numbers below the marks, the other five ruffled only at the bosom, with narrow hems on the ruffles, three pair of stockings, one of gray worsted, one of white thread, the other of brown thread, a white cotton waistcoat corded, a country made blue striped handkerchief, a white jeans waistcoat and pair of breeches, an old great coat, with one corner torn off, and the button-holes in the pocket flaps made downwards; also a silver watch, with a double case, on the inner of which is engraved *Stephen May*, *London*, and on the edge of the plate under the case the same, a fantail hat, with yellow lining, and in the crown *R. May*, 75. a small pair of almost square silver buckles, with TA stamped on them, and a number of other articles, too tedious here to mention. He rode away a likely bay horse 4 years old, about 4 feet 6 inches high, has a film over one of his eyes, and a small black spot on the near side of his neck, paces and gallops well. He also took an old portmanteau, saddle and saddle bags. I will give any person 10*l.* reward for taking up and securing the thief and the stolen goods, so that I get them again, or 5*l.* for the thief alone, and will pay any person over and above what the law allows for bringing him to me, in the county aforesaid.

JOHN MAY.

JAMES CITY county, *November* 1, 1775.

RUN away from *Drummond's* neck, the 27th of last month, a young negro man named HARRY, who can read and write, and carried with him several suits of clothing. I purchased him of mr. *James Donald*, who brought him from *Scotland*, where he had been many years. He has had the smallpox, can speak *Scotch*, and sings *Scotch* songs. Whoever brings him to me shall have 20*s.* reward, besides what the law allows.

(6) JOHN AYLETT.

TAKEN up in *New Kent*, a BRINDLED COW with a star in her forehead, two white feet, some white on her back, and is not marked. Posted, and appraised to 3*l.*

JOHN GLENN.

TAKEN up in *Hanover*, a brown pied STEER, appears to be 3 years old, marked with a crop and slit in the left, and underkeel and slit in the right ear.---Also two HEIFERS, one black pied, and marked as above; the other red pied, marked with a crop and slit in the right, and slit and underkeel in the left ear; they appear to be 2 years old each. Posted and appraised, the steer to 30*s.* and the heifers to 20*s.* each.

CHARLES SIMS.

TAKEN up in *Buckingham*, a ROAN MARE 6 or 7 years old, about 4 feet 4 inches high, has a star in her forehead, a hanging mane and switch tail, and branded with a large dot on the near shoulder and buttock. Posted, and appraised to 7*l.*

‖ BENJAMIN WHEELER.

TAKEN up in *Orange*, a dark bay HORSE about 4 years old, a natural pacer, with a large star in his forehead, two white feet, branded on the near shoulder I, and on the near buttock M. Posted, and appraised to 11*l.*

‖ ZACHARIAH BURNLEY.